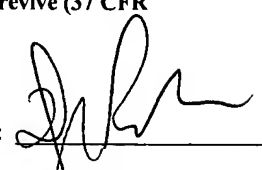


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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | | 10873.1610USWO |
| | | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) Unknown 10/523104 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/010601 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE August 21, 2003 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED August 22, 2002 | |
| TITLE OF INVENTION MAGNETIC HEAD AND MAGNETIC RECORDING/REPRODUCING DEVICE | | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US OSANO et al. | | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(I). 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A signed oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | | |
| Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included: | | | |
| 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. | | | |
| 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | | |
| 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. | | | |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. | | | |
| 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Application Data Sheet (6 pages), Form 1449, 4 references, Communication Under 37 C.F.R. 1.32, International Publication Page, Form PCT/ISA/210, Form PCT/IB/304, Form PCT/IB/308, Form PCT/IPEA/409 | | | |

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| BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a) (1)-(5)): | | | | | |
| [X] a) Basic National fee.....\$300.00 | | | | \$300.00 | |
| [X] b) Examination fee.....\$200.00 | | | | \$200.00 | |
| [X] c) Search fee.....\$500.00 | | | | \$500.00 | |
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| Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | |
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| Total claims | 14 | -20 = 0 | X \$50.00 | \$0 | |
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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | + \$40.00 | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$1040.00 | |
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- ☒ Transmittal sheet, in duplicate, containing Certificate under 37 CFR 1.10.
- ☒ National Stage PCT Patent Application: Spec. 14 pgs; 14 claims; Abstract 1 pgs.
The fee has been calculated as shown below in the 'Claims as Filed' table.
- ☒ 8 sheets of formal drawings
- ☒ A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Assignment of the invention to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., Recordation Form Cover Sheet
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1000.00 to cover the Filing Fee
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- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 4 reference(s).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet, 6 pages.
- ☒ Other: Form PTO-1390, Preliminary Amendment (12 pages), Communication Under 37 C.F.R. 1.32, International Publication Page, Form PCT/ISA/210, Form PCT/IB/304, Form PCT/IB/308, Form PCT/IPEA/409, English translation of Amendment under Article 19
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